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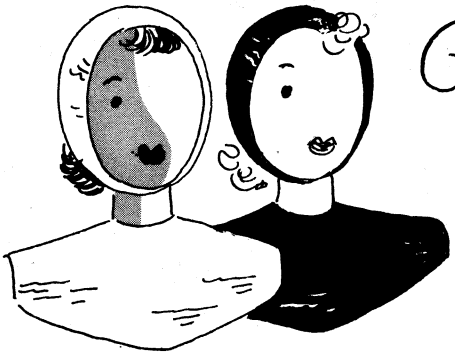


What Colors are becoming to you?

Spring is here. Teen age girls are starting to blossom into color. Will the colors you wear make you feel glamorous and look your prettiest?

So important! — the colors you wear. Wear a color you love, you *feel* glamorous. Wear a color that loves you, you *look* glamorous. So, right off the bat, we'll make a rule. Here it is. Rule 1: wear colors that you like and that are becoming.

Now Rule 2 (and that ends rules): test colors against your skin, not your eyes or hair. Which colors make your skin look clearer, make it glow more warmly?

But how can you tell if a color makes your skin look pink or yellow, dull or clear?

Here's how to have fun — and surprises — finding out. Call in the gang for a color-test session. Around your head tie bands of colors — yellows, blues, greens, pinks. Eagle-eye your skin as you change the colors. See how it seems to change with different colors. (For the bands use scraps from Mother's sewing box, or use crepe paper. You can cut color-test capes from crepe paper.)

See for yourself, with your color-test, why fashion experts usually give this advice:

1. Bad skins look worse with pure, and vivid colors. (In other words bright primary or secondary colors.)

2. Avoid bright colors if your coloring is high.

3. If your skin is simply dee-vine (pink and white) you may be loveliest in beige, orchid, yellow greens, pink, or orange red.

4. If your skin is yellowish, you may look your dreamiest in aqua, blue greens, gray blues.

5. Villainous to many girls: livid orange, bluish red, electric blue, mulberry, orchid.

6. Flattering to nearly everyone: baby pink and blue, moon-pale yellow; navy blue; gray — and best of all — no color, white.

Look your loveliest — fly your own colors!

Things to do * Things to Make * fads * good looks. FUN!

If BOYS are SHY... don't try to DATE them BAIT them with a HOBO PARTY

Here's a good party for girl-shy boys. Smooth daters will like it too. Write invitations with black crayon on torn strips of wrapping paper. Words along these lines: HOBO ROUND UP! Gents of the Cinder Trail and Gypsy Gals — flash! Sat nite 6 bells beet it down high strete pas the church and No. 820. kepe your i's open for clus. there'll be a big hand-out and shindigs including crowning a Hobo King and Gypsy Queen.

When the vagabonds arrive have the back door hand-outs ready: tin plates piled with good food, tin cups of drinks. Pin names of songs referring to bums and gypsies (puns? OK!) to back of each kid. While they eat they try to guess their song. (One round of questions; answers, "yes" or 'no.") Some songs: Tell Me Little Gypsy; Tramp, Tramp, Tramp the Boys Are Marching; The Flight of the *Bum*ble Bee. (If you run short of titles, include cowboy songs.)

Games. *A Treasure Hunt* — perfect for hobos and gypsies. Hobos draw gypsy names for partners. Give them first clue. Mystery! For example, "Look near the lighted bridge." (Clue could be under bridge lamp.) Next clue leads (mystery language) to the next. Have about 10, the last leading to the treasure, a really nice prize. (When a couple finds a clue they pretend they haven't; leave it unnoticed and untouched.)

After the hunt, have some take-it-or-leave it stunts. No one *has* to join in. Here are 3 for a 3-ring circus.

Penny Toss. Who can toss the most pennies into a tin cup? *Ring Toss.* Who can ring the leg of a chair (turned upside down) with a rubber ring? *Card Toss.* Who can land the most in a hat?

Anyone sitting out? If so, try this on them: "I bet I can do something you can't do." Challenge them with that remark. Clear your throat. Beat a simple rhythm on one hand with the other to the words, "I bet . . ." etc. Who catches on? The trick, of course, is to clear your throat first.

Vanishing Money. Magic! Long sleeves are necessary, so teach it to a hobo. He secretly places 4 coins in his left hand. Extends his right arm with fist clenched. Grasps right wrist with left hand. Shakes hand so kids hear coins. (They think they're in fist.) Tells a gypsy to hold his right wrist just as he's doing so he can't slip money up his sleeve. Gyspy grasps his wrist. He opens fist. Why! The money's gone!

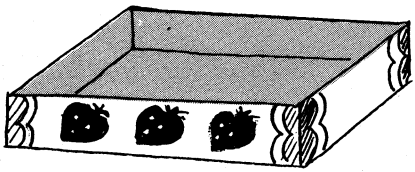
Crown the King and Queen. Secret ballots. A tin can for the Hobo King; a wreath of flowers for the Gypsy Queen.

Cokes, root beer, doughnuts. Now it's time to (as hobos say) *trampoose* or *beat the hoof* home.

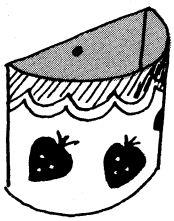
What are You PLANNING for Mother's Day?

If you believe you can show your mother more love by making her a gift than by buying one with Dad's money, run your eye (cute trick!) over these ideas.

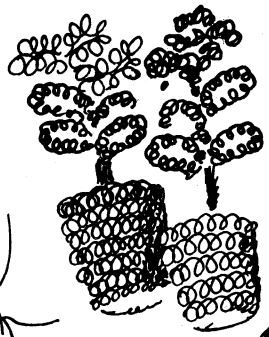
Music Covers Is the sheet and album music on your piano tattered and worn? How 'bout surprising Mother with fresh, gay paper jackets? Easy to copy, those sketched: bright green paper with white lyre; pink paper, black mandolin. Lyre and mandolin, cut out; pasted on.



Kitchen Pretties Would She like matching boxes, one to place near stove to hold cook books, one to hang on door to hold bills? You can make these following these brief directions. Wooden box, and oatmeal box (cut down) painted white; bedecked with paper scallops and strawberries — scallops, light and bright green; berries bright red. Cut them out yourself.



Service Perhaps you can best show your love by giving Her a helping hand. Suppose you announce that you will wash dishes everynight for a week . . . or that you will polish all the silver and brass?

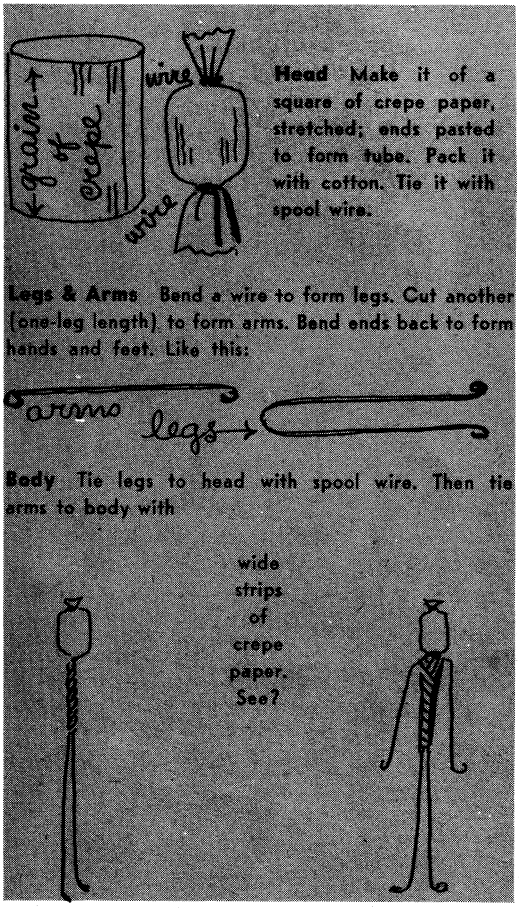


• *Flower Pots. Like to make, for Her, the gay little lapel gadgets, left? They're wires (No. 10 and Spool) covered with crepe paper. Send for Free Leaflet No. 94-A.*

April Club fun — learning to make a wire doll. Once you know how you can make all sorts, from midgets up . . . dress them dozens of ways and use them — ditto!

Want to make Nina? Want to design your own dolls? Either way, start with the "general idea."

To get the "general idea", read first — skim through — the gray section below.

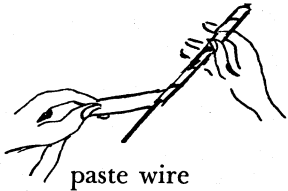


Nina, gay in peasant colors, holds a pin tray for the dressing table. FREE directions with dress patterns: Leaflet No. 94-B.

Now you've got the basic idea. Only one other thing you must know. When you make a doll, you cover the wire legs and arms (nice-and-smooth), *before you bend them,* with crepe paper. Here's how. Cut a long strip of crepe paper across the grain, like this:

Open the strip. Paste one end to wire, wrap it around the wire twice, then — here we go!—

stretching the crepe as you go wrap the wire diagonally down. See?

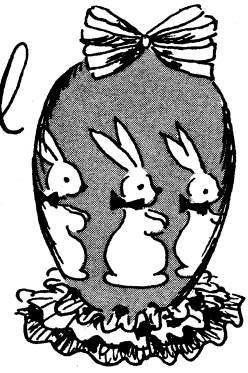


paste wire at top and bottom.

Club Members: Here's the plan. Write now for leaflet described above. While waiting for it to come practice making legs and heads. Then you'll be ready to make Nina.

Note: Wires? For dolls up to 2-in., use No. 9 or 10; up to 6-in., No. 7; taller — 15. Get them at a "Dennison Goods" store.

If you want to be POPULAR – be a good



Jenny won't poke fun anymore

Maybe it's the season — Easter does things to you; at any rate, some teen gals I was talking with the other night started confessing their own faults and ended making these Easter Resolutions. (Glad tidings.)

Jenny — she's got a witty tongue — swore she'd never again poke fun at a girl just because she, the poor thing, looked a fright. Sometimes the girls have nearly split their sides laughing at Jenny's jibes. Now Jenny's reforming!

The gang will stop being cliquey

The whole gang framed Resolution 2: not to be so cliquey at school parties. Boy! at last week's they had deliberately avoided that "new" girl. In fact they had avoided everyone not in their private circle. No more such narrow-minded behaviour!

Elspeth vowed that she would never listen — and here is Resolution 3 — while the gals panned one of her chums. "Why!" she wailed, "I've even added my two bits sometimes. Not even loyal to my best friends. Never again!"

Diane, who has lots of dates, made Resolution 4: "if I seem stuck with a dope, I'm going to try to make it a pleasant date anyway. I suppose every human being has some good points. Perhaps if I try to I can find out what my date's good ones are."

Add them up. What do we have? How-to-be-popular resolutions.

Elspeth will turn her back on catty talk

Diane won't turn her back on dull dates

Bunny season, here again! Put off your egg decorating to the last minute? Cute ideas, quick to do, too, waiting for your fingers — and — oh-riginality in Dennison seals — bunnies, dots, stars, flowers, etc.

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She's OH-riginal

Elizabeth W., Me. reminds you of this good game: someone scribbles some lines on paper. You make a picture from the lines. Can be cute and clever.

Patricia K., Ind. points out that vaseline makes eyelashes look lush-and-lovely.

A. H., N. Y. brightens her specs with scotch tape.

Geraldine T., Okla. uses old record albums for filing dress patterns. Pastes picture of dress on outside of envelope; slips pattern inside. She also glamorizes shoe boxes with shelf paper and matching edging.

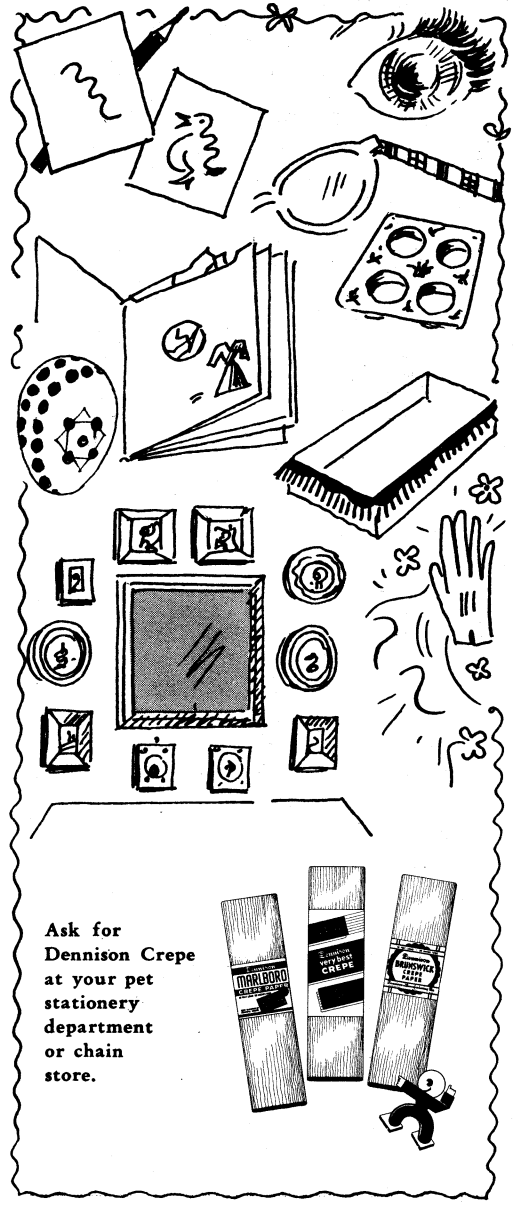
Ann H., N. Y. paints and decals old muffin tins to hold bobby pins, trinkets, "jools" etc.

C. M., Calif. makes Easter Egg clown faces with gummed dots-and triangles cut from paper.

J. J., N. J. didn't have big mirror for her dressing table . . . so made little one important by "framing" it with group of little pictures.

B. S., Mich. tinted old white cotton gloves and handkie pale yellow to wear with Easter Navy.

Cornel Wilde writes plays in his spare time. The New York Theatre Guild has used 150 of his playlets. Looks like this actor has brains plus looks. No wonder we're wild about Cornel. (20th Century-Fox, thanks for picture.)



Tops for party-and-dance decorations; tops for gay handcrafts — wonderful Dennison Crepe.

Planning a spring dance? Maybe you'd like to make it a Mississippi River Boat Cruise. We've a leaflet (No. RS1-755, 3¢) to tell you how. . . . Planning to make some May baskets? There are some cute ones in the leaflet "Maytime" (No. RS1-769). Yours for the postage — 3¢.

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